

CLASSIFICATION SECRET/CONTROL - U.S. OFFICIALS ONLYCOUNTRY East Germany REPORTTOPIC Oranienburg Airfield 25X1EVALUATION PLACE OBTAINED 25X1DATE OF CONTENT DATE OBTAINED DATE PREPARED 16 November 1954 25X1REFERENCES PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) 25X1REMARKS
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 Information 25X1

1. On 20 September 1954, it was inferred Major 25X1
Koslov (fnu) that members of his unit were detached to duty at
Oranienburg airfield. The kitchen in building No 53 in the restricted
Weisse Stadt Settlement where the members of Unit Koslov had their
meals had a capacity of 500 men.
At about 1000 on 25 September, about 80 men who wore black-bordered 25X1
blue epaulets left the quartering buildings Nos 1 and 2 in Weisse Stadt
and proceeded on trucks toward Neuruppin.
On 26 October, new troops in the strength of about 80 EM and officers ,
who wore black-bordered blue epaulets, with their dependents entered
Weisse Stadt on 11 trucks Personnel 25X1
of the same unit were apparently exchanged.
2. The following air activity was observed at Oranienburg airfield between 25X1
4 and 9 October:
- 4 October. Between 1820 and about 2100, local flights were made by Po-2s.
The weather was favorable. 25X1
- 8 October. Between 0800 and 1130, a Po-2 made local flights of about
20 minutes duration. A Po-2 took off at 1720 and 2 Po-2s landed at 1735.
After that time and until about 2100, a Po-2 was observed making local
flights. 25X1
- 9 October. After 1000, individual flights were made by Po-2s.
3. No air activity was observed throughout the day on 5, 10, 16 and 17 October,
and during the afternoon of 11 and 12 October. Individual flights
were made by Po-2s between 0900 and 1200 on 6 October, at about 1730 on
8 October, at about 0730 on 9 October plane had the white No 1 25X1
on its rudder assembly and a red under the number. At about
1200 on 15 October, 2 Yak-14s and landed at the field. Vehicular
traffic between the Weisse Stadt and the airfield included a truck
 with a driver who wore black-bordered blue epaulets.
4. No air activity was seen on 11 October between 1730 and 1830 and on
13 October between 1115 and 1345. The hangars were closed. There was a
closed ceiling at an altitude of 500 to 800 meters and a medium degree of

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of visibility. During the morning of 15 October, flying was practiced by 3 Po-2s and 1 Yak-14. At about 1100, 6 Po-2s and 2 Yak-14s were parked along the eastern side of the runway. The 8 aircraft took off at about 1145 and headed east. ²

5. Between 11 and 15 October, no indications of a change in the occupation of the restricted Weisse Stadt Settlement were observed. At about 1100 on 11 October, almost all the windows of the barracks along the road which runs from the northern gate to the south were lighted. The floor of the brightly lighted Hans Schemm School apparently housed a culture room since pictures and flags were seen on the wall. On 11 October a tank truck with [redacted] a trailer left the [redacted] area. 25X1
6. On 10 October, no change was observed in the occupation of the Weisse Stadt Settlement. Colonel Zukhanov (fnu) was the commanding officer of the troops in Weisse Stadt and Major Koslov was the supply officer. Supply officer Major Beleiyov (fnu) was not transferred to Fuerstenwalde, as previously reported, but to Finsterwalde. Three trucks [redacted] were seen in the restricted area. 25X1
7. Soviet soldiers, truck drivers of an air force unit stated on 16 October that Oranienburg airfield is to be occupied by 30 jet bombers from the USSR in about 3 weeks. Ground personnel were allegedly exchanged recently. On 15 and 16 October, about 30 men arrived from the USSR. The same number of Soviet soldiers were transferred to Finsterwalde on 17 October. ³
1. [redacted] Comment. Barracks Nos 1 and 2 in the Weisse Stadt Settlement are occupied by officers and EM of Unit Koslov. This unit is believed to be the OATB of an air unit which is to be transferred to Oranienburg. Colonel Zukhanov is reported for the first time. He is the commanding officer of the Weisse Stadt billeting area. Major [redacted] previously mentioned as having been transferred. 25X1
2. [redacted] Comment. Oranienburg airfield was still occupied by some Po-2s up to 15 October 1954. It has not been determined whether the 6 Po-2s and 2 Yak-14s which flew off on 15 October were transferred or not. 25X1
3. [redacted] Comment. Different statements have been received in regard to the occupation of Oranienburg airfield. One report of early August 1954 mentioned a target date of 3 weeks, another report of mid-August 1954 mentioned a target date of 8 months, and the present report mentions 3 weeks, which could be about early November 1954. 25X1

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